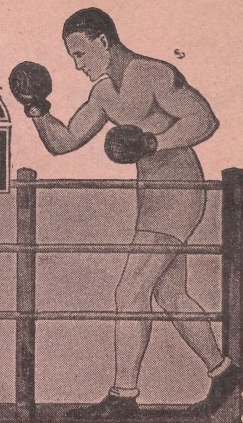
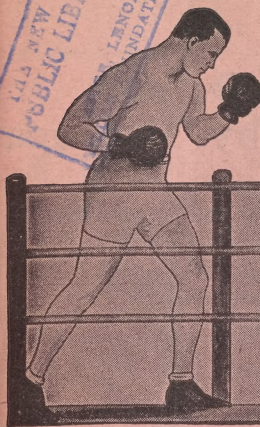


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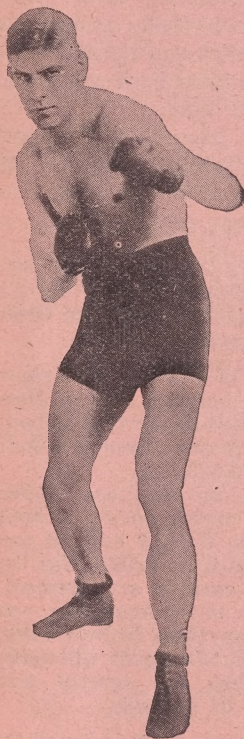
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MIKE O'DOWD WILL NEVER FIGHT IN RING AGAIN

Former Middleweight Champion of
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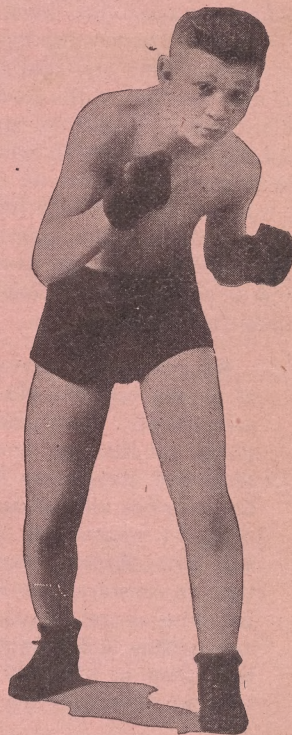


HARVEY THORPE

Kansas City 140-pound Boxer
Who Is Leading Contender
for World's Junior Welter-
weight Championship Held by
Pinky Mitchell of Milwaukee.



MIKE O'DOWD



DANDY DILLON

Minneapolis Bantamweight,
Who Is Regarded as One of
the Best Boys of His Division
in the Country and Who Has
Beaten the Leading Bantams
of the Far West and Pacific
Coast.

Now Up to Dempsey Whether He Will Defend Title Against Tom Gibbons at Shelby, Montana

Time Limit Set by American Legion Promoters for Champion to Accept or Reject Terms Offered—Promoters Ready to Meet High Demands Made by Manager Jack Kearns—Claims that Champion Has No Fit Opponent to Fight Brought to a Showdown—Begins to Look as Though Kearns and Dempsey Don't Want Any of Tom Gibbons' Game—They Prefer Softer Pickings Like Jess Willard and Floyd Johnson

BY MIKE E. COLLINS
(Editor of The Boxing Blade)

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Tommy Gibbons has signed with the American Legion of Montana to fight Jack Dempsey next July 4th. The Montana promoters have raised about \$150,000 in cash to promote the big fistic venture. Jack Kearns some time ago said that \$200,000 interested him and that if the Rocky Mountain people paid him \$50,000 cash on signing articles and posted another \$50,000 in some trust company or bank to go to Dempsey if for any reason the bout would not go through (outside of Dempsey's failure to appear) and another \$100,000 to be paid him before the contest—well, if the promoters did all these things Kearns declared he would be ready for business.

Kearns' terms, particularly those of paying him \$50,000 cash to sign articles, etc., were somewhat ridiculous, but the boys from the Rocky Mountain state came through with flying colors and offered him everything he wanted for the champion and now—Kearns wants plenty of time to consider. He talks of moving pictures and other big fights that are pending and insinuates he is not interested in \$200,000 to box Tom Gibbons 15 rounds to a decision July 4th.

The Montana promoters consider this a business proposition and have demanded that Kearns give his answer one way or the other as to whether or not he wants \$200,000 to box Tom Gibbons July 4th. So now they have given him a time limit up to twelve o'clock noon April 14th to accept or reject. If Kearns still refuses to accept their offer of \$200,000 they and many more will take it for granted that Dempsey wants none of Gibbons' game.

Has Come to Showdown

It has been the holler of many well known writers, the past year, that Dempsey is an unfortunate champion as there is no one to fight him. This Shelby, Montana, affair has at last settled this question in full. Dempsey at this writing has been offered and refused \$200,000 to fight a man that the New York commission says is not big enough for him.

It is possible that Dempsey and Kearns know more about Gibbons' ability than the wrestling commissioner of New York City. Anyhow, they don't seem to want any part of the two hundred grand.

If Dempsey refuses to take on Gibbons by the time set, the State Department of the American Legion will immediately return the \$150,000 to the men who so willingly donated it.

The profits of the proposed show were to go to building a State Hospital for disabled soldiers. The bout would have drawn from one-half million to \$750,000.

Of course, no one can blame Dempsey for trying to get a bout with Old Jess Willard and no one can blame Jess from looking for the loser's end of such an arrangement.

As the boys on the inside say, you can put over anything in New York. We suppose that Dempsey will again knock big Jess for several well known bowls of goulash.

For the good of the game it is hoped that Jack doesn't bang him up too much. Jess is old enough to know better, but the old saying of the older they get the worse they get still seems to be OK. For instance, the chairman of the New York Boxing Commission is now nearing 80 years. Jess, they say, is over the limit according to law, but the old boy at 291 Broadway doesn't seem to mind a few years if it is with the right fellow.

So why should Dempsey care—some men are a lot easier to beat than others. So Jack picks Jess.

Breezy Broadway Boxing Bits

By Arthur T. Lumley

NO one has been pinched as yet for stealing a fighter.

So this unsportsmanlike larceny has become quite daring of late.



Arthur T. Lumley

ally breaks away.

Contract or no contract by some hook or crook.

They say that Bartley Madden is trying to sidestep his manager, Phil Lewis.

That's the reason Bartley has hidden himself over in Ireland for about a year.

Some boxers even lost many bouts in order to discourage their managers.

If a fighter won't fight, surely no manager on earth can make him fight.

Did you ever notice how some boxers combat so much better under certain managers.

While under other impresarios they are very kefooey.

Some of the expert trainers here have been offered the opportunity to condition Jess Willard.

But they have all refused because Willard wants them to work too cheap.

This was Willard's great mistake when training for Dempsey at Toledo.

The big fellow hadn't a real, experienced man in his camp.

Not even a quick-witted second behind him to grasp every opportunity.

So with the lack of proper training and handling in the ring he blew up quickly.

No fighter can see himself as an expert trainer sees him.

Jack Dempsey, Mickey Walker, Benny Leonard and other wise champions know this.

Even the immaculate Muldoon is indifferent to this unscrupulous rogues.

Legal contracts may help to hold a boxer from running out on a manager.

But if the ringster is determined to break away he generally

And most likely Willard will realize this fact when he meets Floyd Johnson on May 12th.

When Jimmy Dougherty of Philadelphia comes to Broadway he talks all the sport scribes daffy.

But he won't be able to shout about Bobby Barrett's wonderful fighting ability any more.

If Bobby could fight as fast and furious as Dougherty can talk what a great battler Barrett would be.

He that is too lavish in his praise of a supposed ring marvel frequently overplays wise judgment.

A newly arrived British expert tells me that Jimmy Wilde is all in.

And if Jimmy comes here to meet Villa it will only be to grab some soft Yankee coin.

Jack Sharkey and other Americans who went to England to try to get a crack at Wilde were sidestepped.

If Wilde is wise he'd retire, an undefeated world's champion.

Now that he has wealth enough to keep himself comfortable for the rest of his days.

But how the lure of gold tempts them all.

Jack Britton, for example, who probably is worth \$200,000 at least.

Mike O'Dowd is another great fighter who combatted once too often.

And Mike, like Wilde and Britton, is well fixed financially.

Jack McAuliffe was broke when he retired as the world's lightweight champion.

But he used good judgment when he found his prowess fading away.

Now in his old days McAuliffe earns \$250 a week with his illustrated fistic monologue.

Two hundred fifty dollars is more than he received for some of his hard, gruelling skin glove fights to a desperate finish.

The Garden clique are greatly alarmed over the popular and financial success of the big boxing shows in Chicago.

Ringling and Rickard realize that Chicago has become a dangerous rival to their New York monopoly.

It is already hinted that Rickard has planned to break into the Chicago boxing boom.

But probably Jim Mullen will have something to say about that.

Anyway, if Rickard attempts to compete in Chicago against Mullen he'll find Jim some fighting Tartar.

Already a flock of New York boxers are flying to the Windy City.

Leo P. Flynn is going to buy a farm to keep and train his forty fighters properly.

He figures that his pack of ringsters can work the farm and train at the same time.

Kid Norfolk and Panama Joe Gans can raise watermelons galore, Wow! wow!

Clem Johnson is quite an expert at raising and eating chickens.

Bill Brennan will have charge of the home brew productions.

Rocky Smith will teach the boys how and what to eat as he's quite an authority on gastronomic science.

Leo P. says his boxers eat too much expensive food at present.

And he purposes to get them down to the corned beef or pigshead and cabbage on the farm.

Benny Leonard's palace of joy on Broadway, known as "The Ringside" may be closed down by the revenue agents.

This is one of the reasons why the lightweight champion will soon box again.

Poor Bennah needs the mazuma. He's only got about \$400,000 left to keep the wolf from his door.

Three big holiday shows will be run in the open air arenas during the coming fine weather.

On Memorial Day, July 4th and Labor Day there'll be bouts galore.

It's been demonstrated that attractive boxing shows always outdraw ball games or any other sport events.

But if the manly art was properly organized it certainly would be the national sport.

Old Fistiana has been often unjustly knocked about but has never taken the count as yet.

Tom Andrews' Timely Ring Gossip

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Has Tommy Gibbons and his manager, Eddie Kane, finally forced Champion Jack Dempsey and his pilot, Jack Kearns, into a corner where they must declare themselves one way or the other regarding a match for the world's title?



Tom S. Andrews

For a year and a half the champion and many writers have questioned the sincerity of Tommy Gibbons' challenge for the title and also raised the cry that he was altogether too small to cope with a man of Dempsey's size and strength.

One thing was certain—Tommy could not have been softer than the ones the champion met—for instance, Jess Willard, Bill Miske, Bill Brennan and Georges Carpentier. The talk about being too small is pure bunk when it is considered that the Frenchman scaled less than 175 while Gibbons weighs 180. Carpentier had previously refused to meet Gibbons.

Dempsey has never scaled over 190 for any of his fights, so there would be not over 10 to 14 pounds difference between them, which is not so much when it is considered that the late Bob Fitzsimmons scaled under 160 when he fought both Jim Corbett and Jim Jeffries.

During the past 18 months Tommy has developed into a real heavyweight, thanks to the help of Brother Mike, one of the greatest middleweights ever turned out. His record the past year or two is ahead of any other aspirant for the position of challenger.

The offer of the Shelby (Montana) syndicate, assisted by Mike Collins of Minneapolis, of a quarter million dollars for the scrap, the limit to be fifteen rounds and to a decision, should force the issue in the immediate future. It is no fake proposition, but the real goods, and the moment Dempsey signs the articles for the contest he will receive a cool \$50,000 cash as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the promoters. The balance will be placed in a bank to be named by the champion and will be paid over 24 hours before Jack steps into the ring, Dempsey to receive \$200,000 and expenses as his share. In addition, the champion will be given moving picture terms which should add another \$75,000 to \$100,000 to the pot, making his end as much as he received for the big Carpentier fight in Jersey, when he drew down \$300,000.

That sure is a tremendous sum of money for a match the Dempsey people claim would be too one-sided to become interesting! Gibbons, through his manager, Eddie Kane, has signed a contract with the Shelby people to

battle the champion July 4th next, so it is now up to the two Jacks to close the other end of the deal. Will Dempsey accept the proposition?

The fact that the Montana syndicate came across with the \$250,000 guarantee, as originally announced, was a surprise to the eastern promoters, who evidently looked upon the first offer as a little advertising scheme. However, they are taking it serious in the east now, no doubt, for Chairman William Muldoon of the New York commission has stated that if Tommy Gibbons defeats Jack Renault, the Canadian heavyweight champion, he will be given a clear bill of health for a match with Dempsey.

An offer, supposedly from Tex Rickard, was made to Gibbons for a Renault match, May 3, in New York, but later Rickard denied it. Some one made an offer just the same, but why select Renault for such a test? The latter has never shown any great form and cannot be classed as better than a second rater; at least that was the impression gained from his showing in one of the bouts at the Jersey Arena when Benny Leonard and Lew Tendler featured the bill. Floyd Johnson is not much better at the present time, but improving, with Luis Firpo, South American strong man, in the same class.

Farmer Lodge, of Minneapolis, whom the commission turned down in New York from meeting Johnson or Firpo, is as good as any of them and would probably give them a harder tryout than Renault.

Then there is Jess Willard, former champion, who wants to break into a big match again. Jess was offered a match with Sam Langford at Mexico City for the championship of Mexico, which Sam now holds, but Jessica could only hear the offer after announcing himself that his end would have to be \$150,000. Samuel retorted with "Make it winner take all and Ah'll fight that man for anything."

Big Jess, however, has a match with Floyd Johnson in New York, May 12, and should win. On the same card Firpo will tangle with Jack McAuliffe of Detroit, and the South American should cop.

Jack Johnson, aged colored ex-champ, has the fever and will meet Farmer Lodge at Havana, Cuba, May 5, in a 20-round battle. Old Jack may yet be clever enough to stall off the hefty Lodge. And feeble-hearted Fred Fulton is watching the proceedings with wonderment.

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Interest in the lightweight class had a few hours while last week when Sailor Freedman of Chicago, announced that he had been matched to battle Benny Leonard for the championship at the Polo Grounds, New York, July 2. Denial from Billy Gibson, manager of Leonard, came a few hours later: At that the match may be made, although the big one for the east will be Leonard

and Lew Tendler over again. That match will draw half a million dollars or more after which Benny can well afford to retire. In the meantime, Charlie White of Chicago, Rocky Kansas of Buffalo and Tommy O'Brien of California are on the champion's trail for a title match.

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Are present day boxers getting back to the methods in vogue during the early part of the 18th century, when it was the custom of many of the best ones to travel about the country with a sort of caravan, the same as the Gypsies, giving exhibitions and taking on all comers at the various towns they stopped in?

Many of the best boxers or fighters in England during the early days were the products of the Gypsy tents. It has also been practiced in the states, but not to as great an extent as in England.

Dr. George Lunt, who formerly acted as trainer for Richie Mitchell, has hit upon the old English plan of campaigning and will start on a tour of the country about May 10th with three young boxers—Peter Gaudes, a clever flyweight; Sid Kelly, another flyweight, who will be used for exhibitions with Gaudes, and Barney Oldfield (not of auto race fame), a 130-pounder from Winnipeg, Canada. The doctor may also take along another boxer or two in the heavier divisions.

Instead of traveling as they did in the early days with horse and jump cart, the Doctor will "hit the trail" in regular 19th century style. He will have an up-to-date automobile, with all the camping equipments that go with such an outfit and they will do their own cooking while enroute, just as the old-time Gypsies did. They will "make all towns" along the route and if they cannot arrange matches they will be content to give exhibitions and collect their "bit" for the entertainment.

The start will be made from Milwaukee and the first stop will be the windy city of Chicago, where the party will camp for a week at least and endeavor to secure a match for Gaudes against some good lad. From there they will switch east and go to Detroit, over into Canada, down to Buffalo, along the main line to New York, Boston, and other big cities, then turn to the southward and work back through St. Louis, Kansas City, Denver, Salt Lake City, Portland, San Francisco, and wind up at Los Angeles. If they are successful they may get into the movies as a result of the tour, using that as a vehicle for a play for the boys to star in. However, Doc has the auto all ready for the start, the boys are in shape and nice weather is what they are now waiting for.

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One of the best known authorities on boxing in the world, a man well known both in the United States and

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Hot Shots of Boxing News from Chicago

CHARLIE WHITE, Chicago's contender for the lightweight championship, scored an impressive victory over Johnny Williams of Brooklyn here April 9. Although Charlie failed to put his man away, he won in commanding fashion and landed the more punishing blows.

It was White's first fight in nearly three months, and although his judgment of distance was poor and he missed occasionally, a few more fights will put him back in the contender class again.

Although unable to connect with his famous left hook, Charley sunk enough straight right hand punches to Johnny's midsection to stop the ordinary fighter. Many of these wallops landed directly under the heart, but apparently had little effect on the game easterner.

Harold Smith and Eddie Coulon fought to a draw in 10 rounds.

THE BOXING BOOM is still in full blast with the numerous events setting a dizzy pace along our fistic rialto. The sport has taken a strong hold in this section and managers and boxers are pouring in at a rapid clip. Others have taken a round about way to stop off here before and after bouts that have been booked for them in nearby spots. They like the looks of our situation. In all probability it's the big purses and large gates that attract the leather-pushers, but it would seem that these visitors are taking quite a chance on expecting to fall into a haven because the Windy City itself has many a promising battler that naturally will or should get the preference. As for the star performers, the promoters will send for them when they want them. The local sport lovers really are educated to high class boxing and will not go for anything ordinary. The tremendous gate receipts that vie with those in New York are wonderful, when taking into consideration the fact that we have no decisions and only limited seated capacities.

The last two big affairs have hit around the \$50,000 mark and then they had to turn them away. Promoter Joe Coffey of the Coliseum paid out in purses to his double wind-up champ feature as follows: Joe Lynch, \$7,000, Frankie Genaro, \$6,000, Bud Taylor and Midget Smith, \$5,000 each. Even the preliminary kids are garnering big money, not the \$10 a round featured in New York. But this shouldn't encourage the out-of-town-ers to park their baggage here as the promoters only pay that kind of money to the glove wielders that they want.

FRANK FLOURNOY, Tex Rickard's matchmaker, came on quietly but shrewdly in his visit to the loop. Flournoy covered up his real visit with the statement that he

wished to sign some boys in this locality for the Garden. His real reason was to find out a few things about the local situation and to relay them to Rickard, as Tex probably has his eyes glued on this section and he may try the same experiment as in Toronto, Canada, by giving them some New York style in the fisticuff line. Rickard could accomplish quite a lot with this spot and the box office receipts would come up to the standard of the New York clubs. Also it would be a lot easier to arrange some big matches as the no-decision effect would have a lot to do with it. So with the same kind of purses as New York can offer and a no-decision affair it is an easy bait to nibble at for the champs and top notchers that fear the lifting of the hand at the end of those doubtful decision mixes.

JIM MULLEN, who left for New York, may spring a little surprise on the boys as he had a few words with Flournoy last week. It is hinted that he may get into a conference with Rickard and double up with him, as right now the rival promoters have Mullen cornered, and at the same time having cornered the glove market for themselves. Mullen hasn't been really dealt with in a fair manner in the matter of getting the real goods he wishes to put on, but somehow or other he puts on the kind that the fans crave for, and that's real action, as his ability in making even matches is uncanny. His journey to N'Yawk is to sign Mickey Walker to top his all-star card on April 23 that he has already partly arranged as follows: Patsy Flannigan vs. Joey Sangor, Eddie Anderson vs. Bud Taylor, Sammy Mandell vs. Johnny Lisse of New York.

DICK CURLEY, the little man that does big things, came back from New York with a receipt for \$10,000, of \$2,500 forfeits, which he placed with the New York Boxing Commission for his four star battlers as challenges for title bouts. They are Herbie Schaeffer with Genaro, Mike Dundee with Kilbane, Frankie Schaeffer with Johnny Dundee and Sailor Freedman with Benny Leonard. Dick came back with his end signed up for a Leonard match for July 2, and Gibson is expected to sign as he has already given his word to Matchmaker Tom O'Rourke of the Polo grounds. Curley is the man that the Windy City sportsmen should thank for enabling them to see the champions. Both Lynch and Genaro were wary about boxing here, as boxing isn't legalized and they didn't have any bona fide protection on their crowns. Curley guaranteed them that he would take the responsibility and they went through with the bouts knowing that Curley's word is his bond.

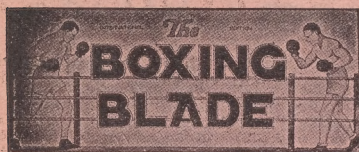
CURLEY is what Jim Mullen and the Alliance call opposition, and they don't like the idea that Curley should step in as a matchmaker, but they can't hold Dick down, as he is silently connected with the biggest club here, and through his widely known acquaintance he is the cause of Chicago seeing big league boxing when he persuaded Lynch and Genaro to come here.

MULLEN, who practically runs the Alliance, recently called a special meeting and had Curley and his five battlers banned because Dick refused to pay three per cent of his boxers' earnings to the Alliance. That meeting was called when Curley was out of town, not giving him a chance to defend himself, also a chance to give them a better idea, as he wanted to do as the New York Alliance has done—put on an all-star card, the receipts to go to the Alliance with a percentage to some charitable institution. Curley's suggestion should have been given some consideration as he is a member of the New York Alliance and knows from experience where he gets off. He also was willing to let his five boys box on the card and not receive a cent for their services. The suspension was given quite a lot of publicity in the local newspapers and has put him in the wrong light with the fans who really don't know both sides of the case.

DAVEY MILLER, our speed king referee, has wired to New York and offering to donate his services to the Milk Fund show on May 12. He will go strong with the mob when they see a 220-pound man step around at a Charley Paddock pace. He has the recommendations of Dempsey, Leonard and Lynch as a high class arbiter.

PATSY FLANNIGAN, the sensational fighting Irishman, has worked up a big following around here. It seems that he hasn't an enemy in the arena where he boxes as they tear down the house when this youngster gets into action. Manager Joe Keefe received the following wires last week, St. Louis, Midget Smith, April 24; Detroit, Mich., Irish Johnny Curtin, April 26; Minneapolis, Eddie O'Dowd, April 25. The latter date didn't look so good to Keefe as he thinks that two new faces wouldn't thrive so well with the Twin City fans. It seems that Chicago beat Billy Hoke to the best little mix of the season when Patsy tackles Joey Sangor, who is a card in Minneapolis. The boys are evenly matched as both have the same number of bouts to their credit, about twenty in all, and both are new sensations. This important match will take place on the 23rd at the Dexter

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Another Instance of What They Get Away With in New York

About two weeks ago, Billy Shade of the Leo Flynn stable, boxed ten rounds with James J. Delaney of St. Paul at Duluth to a referee's decision.

Delaney knocked Shade around the ring in a most unmerciful manner for the first few rounds. Then Shade did a foot race and Delaney knocked him again whenever he could get close enough to catch him. All in all, Billy got an awful trimming, in fact one that he never will forget. The referee gave Delaney the decision. The local press gave Delaney every round and censured Shade for his poor showing.

The following morning the New York Telegram and the New York Morning Telegraph published stories that Shade won the decision over Jim Delaney in ten rounds at Duluth.

We have heard of managers beating another to the wire on a no-decision bout, but this is the first time we ever heard of any manager being so brazen and unscrupulous as to send a lie as above quoted to reputable dailies like the Telegram and Telegraph and getting away with it.

How One State Boxing Commission "Supervises"

MIKE O'DOWD, former middleweight champion of the world, is not likely to ever fight in the ring again.

Immediately after he was knocked out in the first round with three punches by Jock Malone at St. Paul, O'Dowd went to the world famous Mayo hospital at Rochester, Minnesota, to find out the cause for the poor physical condition he has been in for the past year.

The verdict of the Mayo clinic was that he is suffering from a "primary lateral sclerosis of the spinal cord" due to an injury caused by a blow or a fall.

The doctors advised him to give up boxing. They have hopes of relieving his condition through special treatment, but they have no hopes of ever getting him in shape to fight again.

The report of the eminent physicians and surgeons of the Mayo hospital confirms the statements made in the Boxing Blade's account of the Malone-O'Dowd bout in the issue of March 31. The Blade was the only publication in the country that gave the facts and a true report of the fight. No paper in the Twin Cities said anything about O'Dowd's real condition before or after the fight, although it was plain to the most inexperienced observer that the Harp was not himself all through his training workouts.

In fact the ailment from which he is suffering caused O'Dowd to enter the ring in such a crippled condition that he could scarcely walk. One of his legs was in such bad shape that he couldn't climb into the ring and he had to be assisted through the ropes and into his chair.

As the Blade pointed out before, O'Dowd looked terrible in his training and had a hard time keeping his feet when boxing with sparring partners.

Fans who saw him in training and spectators at the ringside of the bout openly declared it was one of the worst cases of match-

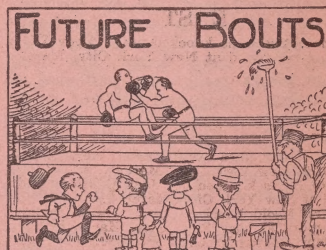
making they ever knew about.

The gist of the remarks after the bout was, "It was a shame to let O'Dowd go into the ring with Malone."

Nevertheless, and notwithstanding that all this was known to many a week before the bout, O'Dowd was passed as physically fit by the Minnesota Boxing Commission's examining physician and was permitted to be led to the slaughter.

Result—the fans who paid good money to see a high class bout were cheated and the game O'Dowd was allowed to virtually risk his life in the ring. Yes, boxers have been killed before through being permitted to box without proper medical examination.

If the O'Dowd case is a sample of proper supervision of boxing by state commissions, the boxing game and the public welfare would be better off without a boxing commission, particularly one that permits such a fiasco which might have had a fatal termination.



Johnny Kilbane vs. Eugene Criqui, 15 rounds, New York City, June 2nd.

Jimmy Wilde vs. Pancho Villa, 15 rounds, New York City, June 16th.

Jess Willard vs. Floyd Johnson, 15 rounds, New York City, May 12th.

Georges Carpentier vs. Marcel Nilles, 20 rounds, Paris, France, May 10th.

Georges Carpentier vs. Joe Beckett, 20 rounds, London, England, June 14th.

Joe Beckett vs. Dick Smith, 20 rounds, London, England, May 14th.

Tommy Gibbons vs. Chuck Wiggins, 15 rounds, New Orleans, La., April 23rd.

Luis Firpo vs. Jack McAuliffe, 15 rounds, New York City, May 12th.

James J. Delaney vs. Sgt. Jack Burk, 10 rounds, Fond du Lac, Wis., April 24th.

Lee Schwabel vs. Battling Strayer, 10 rounds, Lincoln, Neb., April 27th.

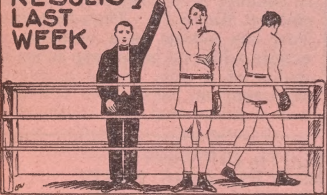
Farmer Lodge vs. Jack Johnson, 20 rounds, Havana, Cuba, May 5th.

Frankie Schmalzer vs. Midget Smith, 10 rounds, Casper, Wyo., June 6th.

Billy Emke vs. Jimmy Nuss, 10 rounds, Milwaukee, Wis., April 13th.

Bud Logan vs. Cowboy Padgett, 10 rounds, Atchison, Kan., April 16th.
 Earl Blue vs. Pete Bross, 10 rounds, Havre, Mont., April 14th.
 Dandy Dillon vs. Mike Depinto, 12 rounds, Butte, Mont., April 17th.
 Johnny O'Donnell vs. Arlos Fanning, 10 rounds, Milwaukee, Wis., April 20th.
 Ernie Gozeman vs. Joey Sangor, 10 rounds, Milwaukee, Wis., April 20th.
 Sammy Noble vs. Al Lewis, 12 rounds, Hartford, Conn., April 17th.
 Pinky Mitchell vs. Harvey Thorpe, 10 rounds, Milwaukee, Wis., April 18th.
 Joe Lynch vs. Pete Zivic, 10 rounds, Pittsburgh, Pa., April 23rd.
 Midget Smith vs. Bad News Eber, 10 rounds, Toronto, Ont., Canada, April 20th.
 Vic Foley vs. Bud Manning, 10 rounds, Vancouver, B. C., April 20th.
 Midget Smith vs. Billy Ryckoff, 12 rounds, New York City, April 28th.
 Young Stribling vs. Frank Carbone, 15 rounds, New Orleans, La., May 1st.
 Johnny Clinton vs. Ray Mitchell, 12 rounds, Brooklyn, N. Y., April 16th.
 Abe Friedman vs. Johnny Gray, 12 rounds, Brooklyn, N. Y., April 23rd.
 Red Cap Wilson vs. Al Shubert, 12 rounds, Hartford, Conn., April 17th.
 Harry London vs. Danny Lee, 12 rounds, New York City, April 23rd.
 Hope Mullen vs. Marty Reese, 10 rounds, Muncie, Ind., April 18th.
 Battling Budd vs. Cole Miller, 10 rounds, Raleigh, N. C., April 13th.
 Freddie Bourde vs. Jackie Sanders, 10 rounds, Augusta, Ga., April 18th.
 Tiger Flowers vs. Panama Joe Gans, 12 rounds, Toledo, Ohio, April 20th.
 Reddy Blanchard vs. Joe Sieloff, 10 rounds, Eau Claire, Wis., April 13th.
 Buddy MacDonald vs. Joe Dory, 10 rounds, Wausau, Wis., April 19th.

BOXING RESULTS OF LAST WEEK



EAST

Panama Joe Gans knocked out Cowboy Williams, ninth round at New York City, March 31st.
 Earl France defeated Kid Buller, twelve rounds at New York City, March 31st.
 Frankie Coster defeated Terry Martin, eight rounds at New York City, March 31st.
 Lee Wedo defeated Jimmy Foley, eight rounds at New York City, March 31st.
 Petey Hayes knocked out Jack O'Brien, first round at New York City, March 31st.
 Morris Meold knocked out Harry Coleman, sixth round at New York City, March 31st.
 Johnny Clinton knocked out Jimmy Carroll, fifth round at New York City, April 3rd.
 Tony Lyons defeated Jack McFarland, twelve rounds at New York City, April 3rd.
 Frankie Jerome defeated Harry London, twelve rounds at New York City, April 4th.
 Tony Vacarelli defeated Herman Rose, six rounds at New York City, April 4th.
 Charley Murray defeated Tony Marto, twelve rounds at New York City, April 5th.
 Joe Savina defeated Frankie Otto, eight rounds at New York City, April 5th.
 Jay Lanahan defeated Bobby Lyons, twelve rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 31st.
 Scotty Williams defeated Marty Silvers, six rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 31st.
 Frankie Mazy Eries defeated Bushey Graham, eight rounds at Herkimer, N. Y., April 5th.
 Carlos Saal knocked out Tom McKiernon, fifth round at New York City, April 7th.
 Johnny Solsberg defeated Jack Guida, six rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 31st.
 Harry (Kid) Brown defeated Pat Mills, twelve rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., April 2nd.
 Joe Glick knocked out Roy Taylor, third round at Brooklyn, N. Y., April 3rd.
 Joe Kestner knocked out Harry Simons, third round at Brooklyn, N. Y., April 3rd.

Leroy Powell defeated Murray Bessner, eight rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., April 3rd.
 Petey Hayes knocked out Eddie Clifford, sixth round at Brooklyn, N. Y., April 3rd.
 Louis Bogash and Bryan Downey boxed twelve rounds to a draw at Rochester, N. Y., April 2nd.
 K. O. Phil Kaplan knocked out Izzy Tanner, sixth round at Troy, N. Y., April 2nd.
 Jimmy Goodrich defeated Frankie Callahan, ten rounds at Buffalo, N. Y., April 2nd.
 Jack Oakes and Bennie Ross were disqualified in the third round for stalling at Buffalo, N. Y., April 2nd.
 Harry White defeated Fritz Meiler, eight rounds at Buffalo, N. Y., April 2nd.
 Johnny Ward defeated Carl Smith, six rounds at Buffalo, N. Y., April 2nd.
 Jabez White defeated Willie Spencer, twelve rounds at Albany, N. Y., April 3rd.
 Manny Wexler defeated Kid Rash at Albany, N. Y., April 3rd.
 Bobby Bolin defeated Abe Bierman, six rounds at Yonkers, N. Y., April 5th.
 Alex Hart and Ray Mitchell boxed eight rounds to a draw at Philadelphia, Pa., April 2nd.
 Cuddy DeMarco defeated Johnny Brown, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., April 2nd.
 Joey Fox and Joe O'Donnell boxed eight rounds to a draw at Philadelphia, Pa., April 2nd.
 Idie Brady defeated Joe Ritchie, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., April 2nd.
 Martin Judge defeated Johnny Shearin, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., April 3rd.
 Danny Kramer knocked out Frankie Rice, first round at Philadelphia, Pa., April 5th.
 Harry (Kid) Brown defeated Philadelphia Joe Welling, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., April 5th.
 Danny Cooney defeated Pedro Campo, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., April 5th.
 Benny Bass defeated Billy Hines at Philadelphia, Pa., April 5th.
 Len Rawlins defeated Jim Sullivan at Philadelphia, Pa., April 5th.
 The Jack Renault-Joe Burke schedule ten round bout at Pittsburgh, Pa., April 2nd, was stopped by Referee Joe Keally in the ninth round, claiming both boxers were stalling.
 Johnny Gill knocked out Mike Credell, fourth round at York, Pa., April 2nd.
 Bobby Michaels knocked out Tommy Cleary, seventh round at Easton, Pa., April 3rd.
 Mickey Walker knocked out Johnny Riley, second round at Wilkes Barre, Pa., April 4th.
 Indian Russell knocked out Ray Belmont, second round at Allentown, Pa., April 5th.
 Jimmy Goodrich defeated Campo Pedro, ten rounds at Scranton, Pa., April 3rd.
 Joey Schwartz defeated Frankie Sinclair, ten rounds at Scranton, Pa., April 5th.
 Billy Bollock defeated Maxey Green, ten rounds at Scranton, Pa., April 5th.
 Henry Ford won on a foul from Tommy Nee in the sixth round at Boston, Mass., April 3rd.
 Jack Dillon defeated Billy Shine, ten rounds at Lynn, Mass., April 2nd.
 Archie Walker defeated Georgie Lee, ten rounds at Worcester, Mass., April 3rd.
 Lew Paluso knocked out Irving Jampol, third round at Lowell, Mass., April 5th.
 George Harris knocked out Bob Lee, first round at Lowell, Mass., April 5th.
 Eddie Partell knocked out Young Mack, fifth round at Lowell, Mass., April 5th.
 Jimmy Cooney defeated Tommy Noble, ten rounds at Holyoke, Mass., April 6th.
 Young Bissette defeated Young Conlon, six rounds at Holyoke, Mass., April 6th.
 Frankie Quill defeated Jimmy Cox, ten rounds at Brockton, Mass., April 6th.
 Jimmy Smith defeated Bert Skellet, eight rounds at Brockton, Mass., April 6th.
 Al Shubert won on a foul from Jack Lawler in the fifth round at Lawrence, Mass., April 6th.
 Irish Johnny Curtin defeated Jabez White, ten rounds at Fall River, Mass., April 6th.
 George Drew knocked out K. O. Russell, second round at Fall River, Mass., April 6th.
 Kid Norfolk knocked out Wolf Larsen, first round at Portland, Maine, March 31st.
 Jeff Smith defeated Dan Dowd, twelve rounds at Lewiston, Maine, April 4th.
 Harry Martin defeated Young Montreal, twelve rounds at Mariessville, R. I., April 4th.
 Tommy Lynch and Eddie Mack boxed ten rounds to a draw at Mariessville, R. I., April 4th.
 Al Gordon defeated Wilbur Cohen, eight rounds at Atlantic City, N. J., April 2nd.
 Tim Drony defeated Wildman Gould, ten rounds at Trenton, N. J., April 2nd.
 Lew Hurley defeated Frankie Fasano, twelve rounds at Passaic, N. J., April 5th.

Al Demont knocked out Jimmy Freda, sixth round at Orange, N. J., April 5th.
 Joe McCartney defeated Irish Fagan, ten rounds at Orange, N. J., April 5th.
 Jack Douglas defeated Ed Keely, ten rounds at Bridgeport, Conn., April 5th.
 Panama Barney defeated Wee Barton, ten rounds at Bridgeport, Conn., April 5th.
 Willie O'Connell defeated Spike Marino, ten rounds at Hartford, Conn., April 5th.
 Frankie Murray defeated Nate Carp, twelve rounds at Baltimore, Md., April 2nd.
 Bob Garcia won on a foul from Kid Williams in the ninth round at Baltimore, Md., April 4th.
 Sid Barbarian defeated Willie Doyle, ten rounds at Detroit, Mich., April 2nd.
 Tommy Burns defeated Jimmy Land, ten rounds at Detroit, Mich., April 2nd.
 White Black defeated Dixie Kid, ten rounds at Detroit, Mich., April 2nd.
 Homer Smith defeated Jack Clifford, ten rounds at Kalamazoo, Mich., April 6th.
 Joe Lehrman and Floyd Johnson boxed ten rounds to a draw at Grand Rapids, Mich., April 5th.
 Tut Jackson defeated Jamaica Kid, twelve rounds at Springfield, Ohio, April 4th.
 Johnny Ertle defeated Johnny Andrews, twelve rounds at Toledo, Ohio, April 5th.
 Speedy Sparks knocked out Al Walthers, fifth round at Cincinnati, Ohio, April 2nd.
 Joe Anderson defeated Flash Willard, six rounds at Cincinnati, Ohio, April 2nd.
 Rustie Russell knocked out Harry Bundy, six rounds at Cincinnati, Ohio, April 2nd.
 Pat Daley defeated Gene Bundy, six rounds at Cincinnati, Ohio, April 2nd.
 Johnny Horvath and Eddie Henney boxed ten rounds to a draw at Mansfield, Ohio, April 5th.
 Nate Isaacman defeated Frankie Pitcher, twelve rounds at Freeport, L. I., April 6th.
 Joe Skinner defeated Mexican Joe Rivers eight rounds, at Freeport, L. I., April 6th.
 Al Studdy defeated Conny George, six rounds, at Freeport, L. I., April 6th.
 Young Fisher defeated Leo Leonard, twelve rounds, Utica, N. Y., April 6th.
 Mike Mitchell knocked out Mike Konrad, eleventh round, at Syracuse, N. Y., April 6th.
 Sammy Leonard knocked out Johnny Rogers, first round, at Boston, Mass., April 9th.
 K. O. Jitney defeated Johnny Lundy, eight rounds, at Beaver Falls, Pa., April 9th.
 Eddie Revoir defeated Wally Hinkle, eight rounds, at Philadelphia, Pa., April 6th.
 Irish Johnny Fagan and Midget Kilburn boxed six rounds to a draw at Baltimore, Md., April 6th.

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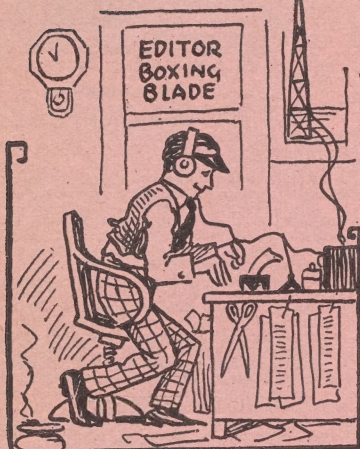
Joey Sanger defeated Sammy Sandow, ten rounds at Milwaukee, Wis., April 5th.
 Jack Schoendorf defeated Ray Conley, six rounds at Milwaukee, Wis., April 5th.
 Jimmy Nuss knocked out Frank Grace, second round at Milwaukee, Wis., April 5th.
 Harry Kahn defeated Jimmy Cawley, six rounds at Milwaukee, Wis., April 5th.
 Peter Gaudes and Frankie Gilman boxed four rounds to a draw at Milwaukee, Wis., April 5th.
 Billy Emke defeated Bill Wollpin, ten rounds at Appleton, Wis., April 4th.
 Joe Lynch defeated Midget Smith, ten rounds at Chicago, Ill., April 4th.
 Frankie Genaro defeated Bud Taylor, ten rounds at Chicago, Ill., April 4th.
 Patsy Flanagan-Jack Elle scheduled ten rounds at Chicago, Ill., April 4th, was halted in the fifth round, Elle spraining his ankle.
 Buddy MacDonald defeated Glen Milligan, eight rounds at Easterville, Iowa, March 28th.
 Buddy MacDonald defeated Ted Zanfes, ten rounds at Sioux City, Iowa, April 2nd.
 Reddy Blanchard defeated Walter Moody, six rounds at Sioux City, Iowa, April 2nd.
 Sid Locklyn knocked out Phil Longo, first round at Sioux City, Iowa, April 2nd.
 Dago Joe Gans defeated Mickey Forkins, ten rounds at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, April 6th.
 Charlie White defeated Johnny Williams, ten rounds, at Chicago, Ill., April 9th.

NORTHWEST

Mark Moore won on a technical knockout over Jack Bailey in the seventh round at Fargo, N. D., April 6th, when Bailey was forced to stop on account of his jaw being broken.
 Billy Petrolle defeated Jimmy Woodall, six rounds at Fargo, N. D., April 6th.
 "Submarine" Smith and Len Schwabel boxed six rounds to a draw at Fargo, N. D., April 6th.

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BOXING NEWS



NEW YORK—Luis Angel Firpo, South American heavyweight, has signed two contracts for his appearance in the charity boxing show at the Yankee stadium, May 12.

One was for a fifteen round match with Jack McAuliffe of Detroit, and the other an agreement to substitute for Jess Willard or Floyd Johnson, who are matched for fifteen rounds on the same card, in the event either was prevented from appearing.

FLOYD JOHNSON BEATEN BY LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT

Grand Rapids, Mich.—Joe Lohman of Toledo gave Floyd Johnson of Iowa twenty-two pounds and, in the opinion of some newspapermen at the ring-side deserved the decision in a ten-round bout here, April 5.

One of Johnson's rights staggered Lohman early in the first round, but after recovering, the Toledo boxer appeared to be the equal of his opponent until the end, allowing Johnson to land but a few effective blows.

In the ninth round a snappy left, a right cross and another left bewildered Johnson. Lohman again landed with a solid left as the bell ended the session.

Lohman weighed in at 170 and Johnson at 192.

TOM GIBBONS MATCHED WITH CHUCK WIGGINS

New Orleans, La.—Tom Gibbons, St. Paul heavyweight, and Chuck Wiggins of Indianapolis have been matched for a 15-round bout to a decision here on April 23.

MANAGER GIBSON DENIES LEONARD-FREEDMAN SIGNED

New York—Billy Gibson, manager of Benny Leonard, lightweight champion of the world, has denied that he has agreed to a titular match with Sailor Freedman of Chicago, on July

2 at the Polo grounds as Freedman announced in Chicago. There is no truth in the report and Leonard is signed to meet no one, he added.

Denial of the report also was made by Tom O'Rourke, matchmaker of the club operating the Polo grounds for boxing matches.

Freedman said he had signed articles and posted \$2,500 to make the required 135 pounds eight hours before the bout. Twelve and one-half per cent of the gross gate receipts, Freedman said, would be his share.

CRUIQUI TO TRAIN AT CARPENTIER'S CAMP

New York—Eugene Criqui is among the imminent expectations of the little Long Island station, Manhasset, where Georges Carpentier faunted the glories of his flowered silk shimmies and his radiant yellow hair.

Criqui says he is dickering for the old Matthews house in which the light-heavyweight eye-fu did his training and held his "at home" parties for Long Island society before taking one on the chin from Mr. Jack Dempsey in Jersey City.

Criqui claims to have received \$5,000 for training expenses from Tom O'Rourke, matchmaker of the Polo Grounds Fight club, so that he may practice for the Kilbane fight in June. Eugene will import a chef, valet, boots, footman and royal jester from France to help his training along.

SAM LANGFORD STOPS BULLFIGHTER IN MEXICO

Mexico City, Mexico—Sam Langford, veteran American negro fighter, who recently won heavyweight championship of Mexico by knocking out Kid Savage, titleholder in the first round, successfully defended his title by winning on a technical knockout over Andres Balsa, Spanish heavyweight, in the sixth round of a scheduled finish fight here, April 8th. Balsa claimed to have broken his right wrist and declined to continue the bout. Balsa, who is an ex-bullfighter, weighed 220 pounds to Langford's 210.

Following his victory, the Boston Tar Baby announced that he would return to the States and would visit in Chicago before returning to this country.

Mercy Montez, lightweight champion, is matched with Joe Brown of California for a finish fight this month.

Jack Dillon, former great light heavyweight, is here looking for bouts.

Jimmy Fitten, featherweight champion, is signed for a series of bouts in May at several places in Mexico.

It is reported here that a New York syndicate is planning to promote big heavyweight fights and championship battles at the old race track at Laredo. They expect to match Harry Wills with Jack Dempsey. Manager Jack Kearns is said to favor the match. Mexican authorities at either Laredo or Juarez are willing to help promote boxing and the border officials are in favor of establishing regular fight clubs.

MULDOON GIVES O'ROURKE REPRIMAND

New York—William Muldoon, chairman of the New York state athletic commission, had Tom O'Rourke, veteran manager and former deputy boxing commissioner on the carpet for alleged disorderly conduct at the Pioneer Sporting club on March 27. Then he grilled Tom for acting as a manager of boxers while he is serving as match maker of a club. After a lengthy argument on both sides O'Rourke was reprimanded and cautioned.

FLOYD JOHNSON IN MATCHMAKING MIXUP

New York—Floyd Johnson, Iowa heavyweight, who is matched to box Jess Willard at the Yankee Stadium on May 12 is the central figure of a controversy involving boxing commissions in three states—New York, New Jersey and Massachusetts.

Promoters in both Boston and Jersey City claim to have the signature of Charley Cook, Johnson's manager to contracts calling for the pugilist to meet Fred Fulton on April 16, while added complications have arisen from the edict of William Muldoon, chairman of the New York State Athletic commission, barring Johnson from boxing anyone prior to the charity show at the Yankee Stadium.

Platt Adams, chief inspector of the recently re-organized New Jersey body, revealed that the old working agreement between the New York and New Jersey boxing authorities which automatically enforced each other's ruling would no longer be effective.

MARK MOORE'S WALLOP BREAKS BAILEY'S JAW

Fargo, N. D.—Mark Moore, Minneapolis middleweight, scored a technical knockout over Jack Bailey of this city in the seventh round when Moore landed a terrific right uppercut which fractured Bailey's jaw. The

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bout was the main event of the card and was scheduled for 10 rounds. As a result of the injury Bailey may never be able to enter the ring again. Moore led for the first five rounds, Bailey, who seemed to have a lot of respect for Moore's punching power, keeping on the defensive. Bailey took a chance in the sixth and seventh rounds and mixed with Moore only to run into the wallop that crushed his jaw.

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JACK JOHNSON TO FIGHT FARMER LODGE AT HAVANA

Havana, Cuba—Jack Johnson, former heavyweight champion of the world, who lost his title here to Jess Willard on April 5th, 1915 when he was knocked out in the 26th round, will attempt a comeback to the roped arena on May 5th. The former champion has been matched with Farmer Lodge, the 230-pound Minnesota mauler, for a 20-round bout to a decision. "Lil Arthur" claims he is still in shape to spoil the championship hopes of the crop of present aspirants to the heavyweight title and he intends to prove it in his fight with Lodge.

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JACK CONWAY REGARDED AS COMING CHAMPION

Mike Connelly, manager of Jack Conway, Minneapolis lightweight, claims to have a coming champion in his protege, who recently defeated Eddie Root in eight rounds at Rochester, Minn., and is matched to fight Joe Duffy 10 rounds at La Crosse, Wisconsin, April 20th. Conway is a left hook artist of the Charley White type and is very much feared among the younger set of boxers. Manager Mike says his boxer will soon be among the topnotchers in his division.

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K. O. MARS AFTER JOHNNY DUNDEE'S TITLE

Cincinnati—K. O. Mars, the Cincinnati 180-pounder, who has been looked upon for some time as a strong contender for the junior lightweight championship, won the referee's decision over Tony Zill at Columbus, O., April 2. They boxed 12 rounds at 136, Mars weighing 131 and Zill 135 at 3 o'clock.

Biddy Bishop, who is managing Mars, has announced that he intends to post \$2,500 with the New York Boxing Commission and will issue a challenge to Johnny Dundee for the title.

Tony Zill, whom Mars whipped, claims to have taken four newspaper decisions from Sid Barbarian, the Detroit lightweight.

FIRPO'S SPARRING MATE WINS BOUT BY KAYO

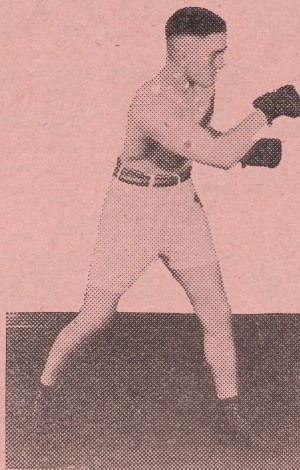
New York—Carlos Seal, a light heavyweight boxing champion of South America and sparring partner of Luis Angel Firpo, won a technical knockout here April 7 over Tom McKiernon, the referee ending the fight in the fifth round after both McKiernon's eyes were closed.

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DEMPSEY SEEKING JOB ON VAUDEVILLE STAGE

New York—Jack Dempsey, world's heavyweight champion, having no immediate prospect for a good paying job, has been offered to the Keith vaudeville circuit by his booking agent for \$4,000 a week, it was reported in theatrical circles.

James J. Corbett, former world's champion, is the only fighter ever booked on the Keith circuit, although other sport celebrities, such as Babe Ruth and Bobby McLean, the skater, have been "given time."



FRANKIE SCHMALZER

Who Boxes Midget Smith at Casper, Wyoming

BIG LOSS DOESN'T CURE BENNY OF STAGE BUG

New York—Benny Leonard, world's lightweight champion, has retired from the stage and taken up training, but his absence from behind the footlights will be only for the summer months, it is understood.

The champion, it is said, will blossom forth next season as the star in a comedy, "The Champ." Last winter



Leonard did an act in "The Dancing Girl," and his act is said to have cost him \$25,000 when he counted up his cash at the close of the show.

Leonard probably will appear in three big outdoor contests this summer against opponents to be picked from Lew Tendler, Charley White, Sailor Friedman, Rocky Kansas or Mickey Walker, the welterweight champion. He probably will realize \$250,000 for the three engagements.

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TEN BOUTS FOR BOXERS IN GIBBONS-COLLINS STABLE

Ten bouts have been lined up by the managerial combination of the two Mikes, Gibbons and Collins, for boxers in their stable, as follows:

Billy Emke vs. Jimmy Nuss, 10 rounds, Milwaukee, Wis., April 13th, middleweights.

Bud Logan vs. Cowboy Padgett, 10 rounds, Butte, Mont., April 17th, bantamweights.

Earl Blue vs. Pete Bross, 10 rounds, Havre, Mont., April 14th, middleweights.

Dandy Dillon vs. Mike Depinto, 12 rounds, Butte, Mont., April 17th, bantamweights.

Johnny O'Donnell vs. Arlos Fanning, 10 rounds, Milwaukee, Wis., April 20th, lightweight.

Ernie Goozeman vs. Joey Sangor, 10 rounds, Milwaukee, Wis., April 20th, featherweights.

James J. Delaney vs. Sgt. Jack Burk, 10 rounds, Fond du Lac, Wis., April 24th, heavyweights.

Len Schwabel vs. Battling Strayer, 10 rounds, Lincoln, Nebr., April 27th, lightweights.

Farmer Lodge vs. Jack Johnson, 20 rounds, Havana, Cuba, May 5th, heavyweights.

Frankie Schmalzer vs. Midget Smith, 10 rounds, Casper, Wyo., June 6th, bantamweights.

Eastern Boxing News and Comment

By Clarence S. Gillespie

NEW YORK CITY—After many changes the big show at Yankee Field, May 12, is all set. Jess Willard will meet Floyd Johnson and Luis Firpo will oppose Jack McAuliffe. Both contests are scheduled



Clarence S. Gillespie

for fifteen rounds. It is predicted that there will be a half million dollar gate and the Milk Fund will realize a handsome profit. Johnson will train at Long Beach, Long Island, while Jess may pick out a spot on the Jersey shore. Firpo has quarters at Hollywood, New Jersey and Jimmy DeForrest will be in charge.

Now is as good a time as any to say a word for DeForrest. When the writer saw Firpo one year ago the South American fighter did not know what a left lead was. On his visit to these shores this year he immediately put himself in charge of Jimmy and the improvement was visible almost instantly. While the veteran manager and trainer is under the disadvantage of having to use an interpreter (as Luis no speak de English) he has worked wonders with the big fellow who now shows that he can block and take advantage of all openings. While he is still crude, he improves daily and working out with Jack Johnson has done the big boy a world of good. If a fighter has anything in him the man to bring it out is the same Jimmy and too much credit cannot be given him for the wonders he has worked with the 220-pound Argentinian.

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Speaking about champions defending their titles at least once every six months, what about Welterweight Champion Mickey Walker. Here is a youngster that is going to the bat at least once a week and he is not picking any suckers at that. Best of all, he wins. To be sure most of the bouts are no-decision affairs, but did not Benny Leonard win the lightweight title in a no-decision affair when he scored a knockout over Freddie Welsh? Also Joe Lynch battling Midget Smith at Chicago only recently was floored and nearly knocked out in what was a no-decision bout. Both Walker and Joe Lynch are real champions that are always taking a chance and bar no one. While on the subject let us speak a word for Frankie Genaro, the flyweight champion. This youngster is always ready to take a chance and very often gives away from six to eight pounds.

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Lew Hurley is the name of a bantamweight that has hung up a string of thirty victories and no defeats.

Manny Seamon, who has charge of the training camp of Benny Leonard, is the manager of Hurley and great things are predicted for the boy within the next year.

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Mike McTeague will arrive on these shores the first week in May and Manager Joe Jacobs will have three or four bouts lined up for Michael. One offer that Jacobs is likely to close at once is for \$15,000 to box the old timer Eddie McGoorty at Chicago. Before Mike won the world's light heavy title he had won the middleweight championship of Canada and is a big card up Montreal way. And in all probability, Mike will also appear at the Mount Royal Arena. After two or three out-of-town battles, the open air clubs will be in operation in the big town and Jacobs will then be ready to send his man after Gene Tunney, Harry Greb and the rest of the 175-pounders. However, if a good offer comes along for a Johnny Wilson match Mike will be ready to scale 160 pounds for the chance at the middleweight title.

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Johnny Clinton, a New York lightweight that has done most of his boxing in the New England states, is now a big card in his home town, having met the best boys around New York. In his last two battles he won in great shape. While Clinton has fought Champion Benny Leonard twice within the last two years, he never seemed to be able to get started around New York. However, he is a fixture now and should get many profitable bouts during the summer.

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Billy Gibson is talking of a European trip and taking Gene Tunney and Frankie Jerome along for a series of matches. Why anyone with a string of high class fighters wants to leave this country right now is hard to guess. The coming summer is going to be the biggest ever enjoyed by the fighters. There is more money for boxers right now in and around New York than there ever was in the history of the game. Imagine second and third raters picking off from \$3,000 to \$5,000 for a ten or twelve round bout.

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Tom O'Rourke is going right ahead with his plans for his opening show at the Polo Grounds. Criqui is on the grounds and Johnny Kilbane is expected to file his application for a license any day and then all ready for the first or rather the biggest international featherweight contest since the Terry McGovern-Pedlar Palmer contest.

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The big Queensboro Athletic Club, Long Island City, will be operated by

Jimmy Kelly the coming summer. It is rumored that Lew Raymond will make the matches. No better selection could be made, as Lew knows the game from A to Z and some good matches can be looked for. The club has a 10,000 capacity.

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At Wilkes-Barre, Pa., where Mickey Walker knocked out Johnny Riley the other night, the gate was over \$9,000, which is big for a small city. Al Dewey, the veteran welterweight boxer, is conducting the shows there and always gives the fans a high class show. A popular fellow, Al, and well thought of by both the visiting boxers and managers.

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Marty Cross, who has been resting up on his farm at Spring Valley, N. Y., is in tip-top shape and wants a crack at Mickey Walker. However, while waiting he would tackle George Ward or Dave Shade. Marty has met them all and always gives a good account of himself.

ARTHUR CHAMBERS, HERO OF 136-ROUND FIGHT, DIES

Philadelphia, Pa.—Arthur Chambers, once lightweight champion of the world and hero of the longest battle with bare knuckles in the history of the squared circle, died April 7 at a local hospital. He was 75 years old and was stricken with paralysis several weeks ago.

Chambers was widely known to followers of the professional boxing ring. When the late Marquis of Queensberry decided to formulate rules calculated to elevate the sport he consulted Chambers and their joint efforts resulted in the regulations under which boxing contests are held.

Chambers won the lightweight title from Johnny Clark, who recently died at Atlantic City, in 136 rounds, the longest bout ever staged. The fight took place on March 27, 1879, at Chipewa Falls, Canada, and was under the old London rules, when a knock-down counted as a round.

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European Boxing News

BY BOXING MAJOR

LONDON, ENG.—Manager Jack Kearns, is stated to have said that there is absolutely nothing doing between Joe Beckett and Jack Dempsey, which is substantially correct at the time of writing. The British champion has not yet disposed of two formidable obstacles in his path to a world's title battle and until he has disposed of Dick Smith and Georges Carpentier it is sheer folly to talk of matching him with Dempsey.

It has yet to be proved whether our champion has made such wonderful improvement as is claimed for him. He certainly disposed of Frank Moran in good style but so too did Bob Martin and Bob Roper, to say nothing of the funeral Marcel Nilles. There is further trouble awaiting Beckett if he cleans up Carpentier. From Paris there are claims to the European title standing in the names of Ermilio Spalla and Ven der Veer, both of whom have defeated the last "official" titleholder, Nilles.

In addition Mike McTigue contends he is entitled to style himself European heavyweight champion by virtue of his victory over Siki, but he is not finding any support to any other title than the world's light heavyweight championship, and that is open to question.

If Beckett proved victorious over Smith, Carpentier and the International Union's nomination for the European crown he might go to America with some hopes of success. Personally, we feel that Beckett is unlikely to meet Dempsey this year despite the contract the Britisher has with Tom O'Rourke. We should be more hopeful if Beckett could first dispose of Willard, Firpo, or some other American claimant to a world's title battle.

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Another aspirant to heavyweight honors is Jack Bloomfield, the British cruiser champion, who recently added to his card the title of British Empire champion. The latter distinction was conferred upon him by the National Sporting Club as a reward for beating Soldier Jones, the Canadian champion. By the laws of succession, Bloomfield has a fairly good claim to his new honor, as Jones defeated the Australian cruiser champion and we are not aware of the existence of anyone in South Africa likely to challenge Bloomfield's right to it. His victory over Soldier Jones was easily gained, the Canadian retiring in the fifth round, claiming an injured wrist. Up to the point of his retirement, Jones was hopelessly outboxed by a brainier and infinitely superior boxer.

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PARIS—Georges Carpentier and Marcel Nilles have signed articles for a bout on May 10 in the Buffalo stadium. Nilles claims the

French heavyweight championship.

Battling Siki sidestepped trouble with the law when a charge against him of assault was withdrawn by the complainant, a waiter, whom Siki knocked out in a Montmartre restaurant several nights ago.

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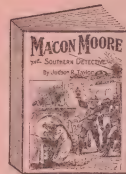
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Battling Krause knocked out "Snowball" Daxton, second round at Fargo, N. D., April 6th.

Lou Boomer defeated Kid Fogerty, four rounds at Fargo, N. D., April 6th.

George Sellis knocked out Sammy Gordon, twelve rounds at Butte, Mont., April 3rd.

Walt Hart and Indian Pocatello boxed eight rounds to a draw at Butte, Mont., April 3rd.

FAR WEST

Harvey Thorpe defeated Frankie Darren, fifteen rounds at Salt Lake City, Utah, April 6th.

Lou Dennison defeated "Salt Lake" Midget Smith, four rounds at Salt Lake City, Utah, April 6th.

Kid Belt won on a foul from Joe Coffey in the sixth round at Canon City, Colo., April 5th.

Willie Hope and Bobby Moore boxed eight rounds to a draw at Denver, Colo., April 5th.

Jack Sherley defeated Bull Mosher, eight rounds at Denver, Colo., April 5th.

George Manley knocked out Soldier Wilson, eight rounds at Denver, Colo., April 5th.

Bud Hamilton knocked out Soldier Colon, first round at Denver, Colo., April 5th.

Paul Randol knocked out George Henderson, third round at Colorado Springs, Colo., April 5th.

Jack Sturgeon knocked out Dan Thomas, second round at Colorado Springs, Colo., April 5th.

Young Cobb and Wilbur Bassett boxed four rounds to a draw at Colorado Springs, Colo., April 5th.

Sailor Richards defeated Kid Flynn, six rounds at Colorado Springs, Colo., April 5th.

SOUTH

Pete Hartley defeated Joe Mettranga, fifteen rounds at New Orleans, La., April 2nd.

K. O. Martin defeated Tony Feraci, four rounds at New Orleans, La., April 2nd.

Eddie O'Hara and Al Seamey boxed six rounds to a draw at New Orleans, La., April 2nd.

Sam Pizzatolla and Mike Russo boxed six rounds to a draw at New Orleans, La., April 2nd.

Eddie McKenna knocked out Pascal Colletti at New Orleans, La., April 6th.

Kid Carlin knocked out Young Dempsey, third round at New Orleans, La., April 6th.

Jack Griff defeated Young La Rose, four rounds at New Orleans, La., April 6th.

Jack Lewis defeated Benny Harvey, six rounds at New Orleans, La., April 6th.

Battling Budd defeated Frankie Lewis, eight rounds at Raleigh, N. C., March 30th.

Freddie Boorde and Tim O'Dowd boxed ten rounds to a draw at Rome, Ga., March 28th.

Osker Koff defeated Fred Oschner, ten rounds at Fort Thomas, Ky., April 5th.

Eddie Hennessy knocked out Jack Dohaney, second round at Fort Thomas, Ky., April 5th.

Jimmy Proto defeated Tim O'Dowd, ten rounds at Atlanta, Ga., April 3rd.

Jimmy Finley knocked out Mike Murphy, fifth round at West Palm Beach, Fla., April 3rd.

Jose Rivers knocked out Pete McCarthy, third round at Albuquerque, New Mex., April 2nd.

Young Lawrence knocked out K. O. Texas, fifth round, at Lester, W. Va., April 9th.

PACIFIC COAST

Billy Shade and Jack Reeves boxed four rounds to a draw at Oakland, Calif., April 4th.

Frank Barrie and Frankie Denny boxed four rounds to a draw at Oakland, Calif., April 4th.

Billy Gordeau defeated Claire Brome, four rounds at Oakland, Calif., April 4th.

Joe Coffe defeated Eddie Gorman, four rounds at Oakland, Calif., April 4th.

Jack Griffin knocked out Charlie Rogers, second round at Oakland, Calif., April 4th.

Louis Garcia and Tim Callaghan boxed four rounds to a draw at Oakland, Calif., April 4th.

Young Sharkey and Bobby Gray boxed four rounds to a draw at Oakland, Calif., April 4th.

Ray Pelkey defeated Jim Tracey, four rounds at Oakland, Calif., March 28th.

Johnny Farr defeated "California" Joe Lynch, four rounds at Oakland, Calif., March 28th.

Eddie Macey defeated "Dynamite" Murphy, four rounds at Oakland, Calif., March 28th.

Frank Barrie knocked out Eddie Richards, third round at Oakland, Calif., March 28th.

Louis Garcia knocked out Dick Ella, third round at Oakland, Calif., March 28th.

Jake Stahl defeated Charlie Sullivan, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., April 5th.

Fernando Herman knocked out Bennie Walker, third round at San Francisco, Calif., April 5th.

Johnny McFarland defeated Joe Monahan, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., April 5th.

Young Springfield knocked out Art Emery, third round at San Francisco, Calif., April 5th.

Jim Landrigan defeated Speedball Anderson, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., April 5th.

Kid Manila defeated Mike Randa, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., April 5th.

Jimmy Sacco defeated Eddie Diggins, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., April 6th.

Ted Seidman and Joe (Petie) Coffey boxed four rounds to a draw at San Mateo, Cal., April 5th.

Ray Neuman and Johnny Burns boxed four rounds to a draw at San Mateo, Cal., April 5th.

Gene Kelly defeated Kid Cirriaco, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., April 5th.

Terry McBride and Tommy Cello boxed four rounds to a draw at San Mateo, Cal., April 5th.

Ed Kelly defeated Pedro Villa, four rounds at San Mateo, Cal., April 5th.

Pussy Mirat defeated Tom Kelly, four rounds at San Mateo, Cal., April 5th.

Joe Roach knocked out Frankie Edwards, first round, at San Mateo, Cal., April 5th.

Johnnie Drexell and Joe Ray boxed four rounds to a draw at San Mateo, Cal., April 5th.

Joe Gorman defeated Frankie Kramer, ten rounds at Portland, Ore., April 6th.

Nick Yager knocked out Don Harris, third round, at Portland, Ore., April 6th.

Frankie Grandetta defeated Al Calvert, four rounds, at Portland, Ore., April 6th.

Chuck Hellman defeated Ludwig Jones, four rounds, at Portland, Ore., April 6th.

Collie Stoops defeated Jack Hanson, four rounds, at Portland, Ore., April 6th.

Jimmy Elliott defeated Stanley Poppert, four rounds, at Portland, Ore., April 6th.

CANADA

Kid Roy defeated British Johnny Brown, ten rounds at Montreal, Quebec, Canada, March 28th.

Kid Lewis defeated Sammy Marco, ten rounds at Montreal, Quebec, Canada, March 28th.

Gene Demers defeated Young French, ten rounds at Montreal, Quebec, Canada, March 28th.

MEXICO

Sam Langford knocked out Andres Balsa, sixth round, at Mexico City, April 8th.

Chicago Hot Shots

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park arena, and that is another reason that Keefe had to refuse Hoke's offer. But he will consider another date as he has a grievance to settle with the Minneapolis fistic fraternity.

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JIMMY ANDERSON, the newsboy champ, is taking the same course as Lew Tendler. After pasting Mike Snyder around at the Coliseum show he was out on the street selling papers with the results of the fights. He will get into the windup class real soon at the pace he is setting.

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PROMOTER Joe Coffey has his mind set on a Joe Lynch-Frankie Genaro bout to be put on early in May. New York wants this one too.

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TOMMY O'BRIEN, the coast lightweight, now has his headquarters here and is under the management of Jim Mullen, who will get him plenty of action. He may per-

form against the Iowa blond warrior, Joe O'Hara some time this month.

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PAL MOORE, it seems, can't get anybody to meet him, but Pal is still persistent in chasing Tremaine, Lynch, Genaro and Villa, and thinks that a nice sweet purse will make them have a change of heart.

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Andrews' Ring Gossip

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Europe to the followers of the game three or four decades ago, passed away in London the other day in the person of Joseph Frank Bradley, aged 70 years. Mr. Bradley was a protégé of the famous Jem Mace, father of the English School of Scientific Boxing and was considered a star amateur boxer about 1882, being entered for the championships that year, but was forced out of them through an injury. After the accident Mr. Bradley gave up boxing and took up journalism.

In the later 80's Frank, the boys always called him, came to America and became a regular writer for the Blade at Toledo, Ohio, and other American journals. In the early 90's Mr. Bradley brought over Billy Plimmer, one of the cleverest lads in England, and it was at the old Coney Island Club, Staten Island, that Plimmer defeated George Dixon, "Little Chocolate," on Aug. 22, 1893. Later Mr. Bradley returned to England and managed the club at Birmingham, where many historic battles were held. He gave up the club a bit later and devoted most of his time to writing and also acting as referee once in a while. He contributed to many journals and was author of "Famous Fights," "Boxing Referees," "Pugilistic Pointers," and others. He was a recognized authority on knuckle fighting. The past few years Mr. Bradley drew a pension from the Boxers' Benevolent Fund, which was started by Sir Walter de Frece and the National Sporting Club of London. The aged editor was always a staunch friend of the American boxers when they visited England.

Since the French Boxing Federation began to dish out titles to those whom they considered worthy of such there have been many changes in the holding of championships. The latest change is in the lightweight class, Fred Bretonnel, a newcomer, having taken the title from Leon Poutet, in a 20-round battle on points. This is about the fifth time the title has changed hands within the past year. The same evening, Francis Charles, the veteran welterweight, entered the middle class and beat Maurice Prunier, the champion, on points. However, the title did not change hands as the contest was only fifteen rounds and should have been 20 to make it a championship affair. Now they are to meet in a 20-round bout and Francis may yet nail the title.

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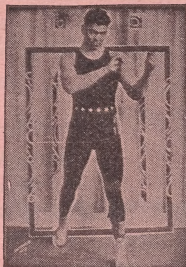
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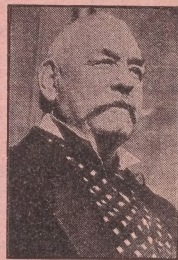
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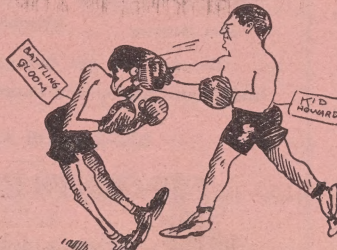
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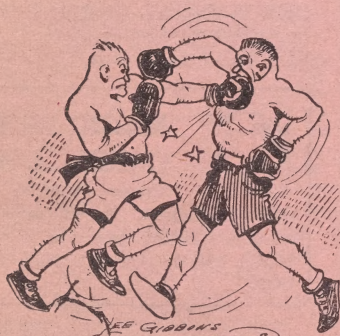
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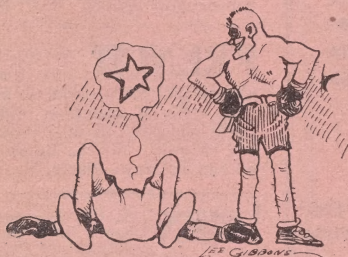
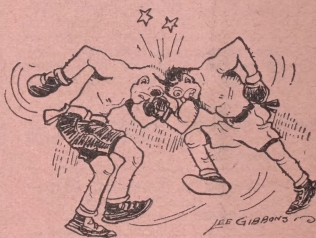
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